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[There are no official meetings scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 28 December 2012.]

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Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

[No Spokesperson's noon briefing and press conferences are scheduled *today*, 28 December 2012.]

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252 for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: agenda items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a), (b) and (c), 111 (f), (g) and (h), 112 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (e), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (rooms S-3055 and S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

General Assembly

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Pre-session informal meeting

A pre-session informal meeting of the Executive Board of UN-Women will take place on Wednesday, 9 January 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The meeting will be PaperSmart.

First regular session of 2013

The first regular session of 2013 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will take place on Wednesday, 23, and Thursday, 24 January, 2013, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the session are contained in document UNW/2013/L.1. To consult the available documentation for the session, please *click here*.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list (e-mail stefania.letta@unwomen.org), as early as possible, *but no later than Friday, 18 January 2013*.

The upcoming first regular session 2013 will be PaperSmart. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart.eb@unwomen.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be distributed electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Please note that hard copies of statements will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

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Joint meeting

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP will take place on Monday, 4 February 2013, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The joint meeting will be PaperSmart.

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2013

The Economic and Social Council will hold a meeting on Friday, 25 January 2013, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to elect the President and other members of its Bureau for 2013. The provisional annotated agenda for the organizational session will be issued in document E/2013/2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, of the United Nations Population Fund and of the United Nations Office for Project Services

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2006/14 and rule 7 of the rules of procedure, the Executive Board will hold a formal meeting for the purpose of electing a new President and other members of the Bureau, on Monday, 7 January 2013, from 11:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Pre-session informal consultation

A pre-session informal consultation of the Executive Board will take place on Monday, 14 January 2013, from 10:30 to 11:30, followed by an informal consultation on draft decisions, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

First regular session 2013

The first regular session 2013 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Monday, 28 January, to Friday, 1 February 2013, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and workplan for the session are contained in document DP/2013/L.1.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org; fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, *but no later than Monday, 21 January 2013*.

The upcoming first regular session 2013 will be the first PaperSmart session of the Executive Board. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be distributed electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Please note that hard copies of statements will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

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Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing to Member States and Permanent Observers on "Activities of the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Center (UNCCT)/Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Office"

Wednesday, 16 January 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nargiza Turapova, UNCCT/CTITF (e-mail turapova@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5658).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English, on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Wednesday, 9 January 2013.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 16:00 to 17:00)

Tuesday, 15 January 2013.

Advanced research using subscription databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Wednesday, 23 January 2013.

Security Council documentation (new) (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 24 January 2013.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 25 January 2013.

Introduction to e-Books (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 31 January 2013.

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2013

Applications for the 2013 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from Monday, 24 June, to Friday, 2 August 2013, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Thursday, 31 January 2013*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in English this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme Web site at www.un.org/law/ilfp; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Regulation No. 13. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles of categories M, N and O with regard to braking. Geneva, 1 June 1970

Application of regulation No. 13: Japan (26 December 2012)

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Ratification: Poland (27 December 2012)

Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products (Seoul, 12 November 2012)

Opening for signature

The Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, which was adopted during the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, by decision FCTC/COP5 (1) of 12 November 2012, will be open for signature at a signing ceremony to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on Thursday, 10, and Friday, 11 January 2013, and, thereafter, at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

In accordance with its article 43, the Protocol shall be open for signature by all parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control at World Health Organization Headquarters in Geneva on Thursday, 10, and Friday, 11 January 2013, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until Wednesday, 9 January 2014.

Certified true copies of the Protocol, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are being printed and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible. Electronic certified true copies of the Protocol are posted in the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (please *click here*).

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives of States wishing to sign the Protocol must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control wishing to sign the Protocol could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook on the United Nations Treaty Collection* (please *click here*).

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Central African Republic
His Excellency Charles-Armel Doubane

Asia-Pacific States:
Republic of Korea
His Excellency Kim Sook

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Georgia
His Excellency Alexander Lomaia

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Paraguay
His Excellency José Antonio Dos Santos

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Canada
His Excellency Guillermo Rishchynski

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Web of the presidency

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
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International Court of Justice
www.icj-cij.org/

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www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp

United Nations Press Releases
www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp

United Nations Webcast
www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html

Yearbook of the United Nations
http://unyearbook.un.org

UN Chronicle
www.un.org/chronicle

Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Thursday, 27 December 2012

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A/67/450/Corr.1	Agenda item 28 — Advancement of women — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/67/457/Add.3/Corr.1	Agenda item 69 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
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Sixth Committee

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A/67/626–S/2012/902 Letter dated 6 December 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Serbia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *14 pages*

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Communications to the Editor

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